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For: "FREQUENCY MODULATED LASER) Re: *Amendment*
 WITH HIGH MODULATION)
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AMENDMENT

Hon. Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D. C. 20231

Sir:

This paper is filed in response to the non-final Office Action, dated September 11, 2002. A paper showing the calculation of excess claim fees is also attached, along with a check therefor. Please amend the drawings and claims as indicated below. **All amendments and remarks herein are made without prejudice.**

IN THE DRAWINGS

The Applicants enclose herewith a letter to the Official Draftsperson requesting approval for changes to Figures 2 and 3 to overcome the Examiner's objections to the drawings.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend Claim 9 as indicated below. Please add new Claims 24 - 26. Clean copies of amended Claim 9 and new Claims 24 - 26 are presented on the following pages 2 and 3 of this response. A marked copy of Claim 9 is presented in Appendix A to show the changes made.

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